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Do you have problems with 'stick-ability' or completing a task that you started? How many of us have a load of "unfinished things," whether they are craft works, maintenance jobs, or a degree that we started but never finished. Not being able to see things through to completion seems to be something that so many of us are guilty of.



Aren't you glad that God is not like us? He not only looks at us in our sin and need and sees a thing of incredible potential, but He is prepared to work with us for the rest of our lives, changing us, as we allow Him access, to become more and more like Him. He will present us to His Father as complete and Christ-like, without fault and blameless. Paul said in Philippians 1:6, "Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ."

Where is God working today? He is working in the hearts and lives of His people. God hasn't abandoned this world. God's got a great project going on and it is the great project of getting people saved and then beginning to do His good work. Before you're saved, sin worked in you. Over in Romans 7:5 it says, "For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members to bear fruit to death." Before you were saved sin was working in you, and that's why in Ephesians 2:2 the Bible talks about "the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience." You see, either the devil is doing his bad work in and through you or God, through His Holy Spirit, is doing His good work in and through you. Ephesians 3:20 says, "Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us."

God's work today is going on in His children. You see, one these days God is going to finish His project. Everything that begins in grace ultimately concludes and consummates in glory. If you've been saved you are just as good as in heaven as if you've been there ten-thousand years. He's working in you; you're under construction. God never abandons His projects. God has begun a masterpiece in your life and He will bring it to completion. You are a work in progress so don't give up. God hasn't given up on you.

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Library News

MARCH – A Terrible Sin

Complaining is as natural as breathing, whether it's about traffic, weather, or the mess left in the microwave! But, did you know that complaining is a sin in God's eyes?

What makes complaining sinful? Complaining ignores everything God has done and implies that it's not enough. YIKES!

So, let's ask God's forgiveness when we complain. God is faithful and will forgive us, but better yet, let's make a habit of giving thanks instead of complaints.

Philippians 2:14 Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure children of God.

Here are a some book suggestions from our Library...

In the Grip of Grace by Max Lucado. When I snap at anything that moves, when my thoughts are gutter level, when my tongue is sharp enough to slice rock, how does God feel about me then? Did I out-sin the love of God? The answer is found in one of life's sweetest words: G R A C E.

<u>What Matters Most</u> by Tony Evans. What does it mean to be like Christ? It can only happen when lived out with other believers. This process is called discipleship. It consists of four essential elements:

Worship - Fellowship - Education - Outreach Each of these elements from Acts 2:42 is an important part of the maturing process for the church whose members are following Christ.

Yours in Christ, Mary Robertson & Joan Frank



March Birthdays

- Monty Bland
- Abby Crotzer 3 Charlotte Robertson

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- 4 Jarrett DeLozier
- 5 Faith Crawford
- 8 Aaron Easton
- Laura Sparkman Tissy Peters
- 9 Sylvia Hafner
- J C Christian
- 10 Davis Burkhalter Shavonnah Easterling
- 11 Christie Johnson
- 15 Clay Robinson
- 17 Emma Robinson
- 18 Dorothy Lawrence Paulette Hart Susan Warren
 - Christy Ploen
- 19 Margaret Gray
- 22 Debbie Huntzinger
- 23 Byron Gallimore
- Brandy Robinson
- 26 Mike Welch
- 27 Adam Crotzer
- 28 Connor Hull 30 Benii Robinsc
- 30 Benji Robinson Josh Howland

Happy Birthday to You!

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Community Opportunities

From time to time, events in the community are shared with the church office. Here is an employment opportunity for those who may need a job, and an opportunity to honor veterans.



March 12, 2019 8:00am - 5:00pm Northfield Workforce Development Center



Starting at \$14 per hour!

*This is a new plant coming to Spring Hill that will produce door panels for GM vehicles. Jobs are full-time, include benefits (dental, vision & health insurance, 401k with company match), and opportunities for advancement. 100+ jobs available.



Veterans' Appreciation Reception March 24, 2-4 pm

Morning Pointe of Spring Hill and the Brigadier General Richard Winn Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Spring Hill, request your presence for an appreciation reception. Enjoy music by Bill Sleeter and hear honorary guest speaker, Lieutenant Colonel Glenn Meyer. There will be Door Prizes and Refreshments provided. *Please RSVP by calling (931) 451-1899.*



1001 McCutcheon Creek Ln., Spring Hill, TN 37174 (931) 451-1899 morningpointe.com



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6 Facility in Use-Precepts	7	8	
Deacon's Meeting		10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	12-3 pm	9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study	Facility in Use- Homeschool 8 am-4 pm	CHANGE YOUR IOCKS
6 pm ENCOUNTER AWANA-crazy Hair Night	Sanctuary in Use- Quartet Rehearsal		6 pm ESL Classes 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting, Mission Friends, Kids' Choir, Children in Action	6:00pm Facility in Use- Cub Scouts		SPRING AHEAD! Turn clocks forward ONE hour before bed tonight!
10	11	12	13 10:15 am Cracker Barrel	14	15	16
Daylight Saving Time Begins at 2 am		10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	Fellowship Facility in Use-Precepts 12-3 pm		Facility in Use- Homeschool 8 am-4 pm	2-4 pm Facility in Use- Bridal Shower
6 pm ENCOUNTER			6 pm ESL Classes 6:30pm Business Mtg.,	9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study		
6 pm AWANA-Sock Night	Sanctuary in Use- Quartet Rehearsal		Mission Friends, Kids' Choir, Children in Action	6:00pm Facility in Use- Cub Scouts		
17	18	19	20 First Day of Springel	21	22	23
		10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	First Day of Spring! Facility in Use-Precepts 12-3 pm	9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study	Facility in Use- Homeschool 8 am-4 pm	
6 pm ENCOUNTER 6 pm AWANA-Mix-Match Night	Sanctuary in Use- Quartet Rehearsal		6 pm ESL Classes 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting, Mission Friends, Kids' Choir. Children in Action	6:00pm Facility in Use- Cub Scouts-		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	Facility in Use-Precepts 12-3 pm	9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study		
6 pm ENCOUNTER 6 pm AWANA- Occupation Night			6 pm ESL Classes 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting, Mission Friends, Kids' Choir, Children in Action	6:00pm Facility in Use- Cub Scouts	Facility in Use- Homeschool 8 am-4 pm	
31 Special Music Guests Lee & Lynn Marcum Covered-Dish Fellowship Lunch	Schedule of Services:WednesdaySundaySunday School – 8:45 amESL Classes – 6:00 pmWorship – 10:00 amMission Friends, Children in Action, & Kids' Choir – 6:30 pmAdult Choir Rehearsal – 4:30 pmPrayer Meeting – 6:30 pmAWANA – 6:00 pm (SeptMay)Business Meeting – 6:30 pm (2 nd Wednesday)					

Youth ENCOUNTER - 6:00 pm

Worship - 6:00 pm

No Evening Activities

Our Church in Action



Cracker Barrel Fellowship Wednesday, March 13, 10:15 am Everyone is Welcome! (at The Crossings in Spring Hill)

English as a Second Language Wednesdays at 6:00 pm More trained leaders are needed for this ministry. Please contact Pat Springer (<u>patspr2@juno.com</u>) for more information.





KidCentral New



<u>Calendar:</u> March 3: Crazy Hair Night March 10: Sock Night March 17: Mix-Match Night March 24: Occupation Night March 31: NO AWANA

Schedule

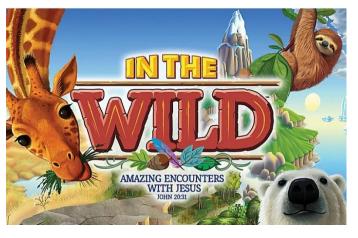
March 3: Brent & Christie

Johnson

March 10: Adam & Crystal Vaughn March 17: TBD March 24: TBD

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

March 31: NO



Vacation Bible School 2019 June 3-7, 8:45 am – Noon

Believe it or not, it's time to begin planning!!! Our theme is "in the Wild." Please begin praying now that children will come to know Christ as their Savior.

There are many different ways to help: Teachers, Helpers with Recreation, Crafts, or be a part of the Kitchen Crew. Please let Patty Welch know as soon as possible of you willingness to serve (615-308-308-9114 or PwelchM@aol.com).



We are preparing all year to fill shoeboxes for **Operation Christmas Child 2019**. Each month will have specific items needed and everyone can participate! Thank you for bringing Accessories during February. The month of **March** we are asking for **Reusable Water Bottles.** These are great space saving

containers to hold small items packed in the shoe boxes. Please place items in the container in the lobby. Thank you!



Kids' Choir (K-6th grade) is back again! Rehearsal is Wednesday evenings during regular service times as part of Children in Action. Children are learning songs, speaking parts, and solos for an Easter musical. Questions? Contact Amy Howland.

Background Checks



Everyone who works with children age birth through 18 years old must have a completed background check. Please contact the church office so that you may be sent the link to

complete the check online. Thank you.



Thank you for your wonderful response to the food needs for The Well. Boxes are available in the lobby for continued support of this important ministry to the community. <u>Current</u> <u>High Needs Grocery List</u>: Pancake Mix, Boxes of Stuffing, Cereal, Canned Oranges, Ramen Noodles, & Jiffy Cornbread Mix.

Let's continue to fill the boxes to overflowing!!



Future Growth Funding

\$14,780.59 in a Construction Acct. at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank \$345,892.65 in a Building Fund at the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.